

ROOSEVELT AND GOETHALS LEAD FOR WAR OFFICE

Race for Garrison's Post Lies
Between Assistant Head
of Navy and General.

FORMER MORE LIKELY

President Desires Man with
Experience in Running a
Government Department.

WITHOUT HEAD FOR 22 HOURS

Gen. Scott, Placed in Charge Temporarily,
Shares Garrison's Views.
Shake-up Likely.

After a day in which rumor ran riot,
opinion in administration circles last
night crystallized into a firm conviction
that President Wilson's choice of a
successor to fill the post made vacant
by the resignation of Secretary of War
Garrison lies between two men. These
men are:

Gen. George W. Goethals, governor of
the Canal Zone.
Franklin D. Roosevelt, Assistant Sec-
retary of the Navy.

Several other names were suggested to
the President by administration Sena-
tors who called at the White House dur-
ing the day. It was early established
that the President is strongly opposed
to appointing any man, however well
fitted otherwise for the post, who has
not had previous experience in running
a government department.

The fact that the new Secretary of
War will be deprived of the services
of an experienced assistant secretary
serves to emphasize the need of depart-
mental experience on the part of the new-
comer.

Whether Gen. Goethals will accept the
position in the event of its being offered
him is considered open to doubt in view
of his repeated statements that he would
never voluntarily leave "the canal job"
until it is in successful operation.

Assistant Secretary Roosevelt's record
in the Navy Department is urged by his
friends as the best proof of his ability
to fill Mr. Garrison's shoes in the War
Department. It may be stated positively
that no appointments would be welcomed
with greater joy on the part of War
Department officials.

Wants Experienced Head.
If the President does not confine his
choice to these two men it is believed
that he may make inter-cabinet changes
that will result in placing the War De-
partment in the hands of either Sec-
retary of the Interior Lane or Secretary
of Agriculture Houston.

Others whom rumor favored are:
Henry M. Pindell, of Peoria, Ill., nomi-
nated to be ambassador to Russia, but
who withdrew his name in the face of
opposition and supposedly as the result
of a hint from the Russian government.
Representative Swager, of Kentucky,
chairman of the House Fortifica-
tions Subcommittee on Appropriation.
Former Representative A. Mitchell
Palmer.

Former Attorney General Judson Har-
mon, of Ohio.
Former Solicitor General Fred Leh-
mann, of St. Louis.

Former Governor Walsh, of Massachu-
setts.
Former Mayor Baker, of Cleveland,
Ohio.

This list of names is said to include
virtually all those which the President
is considering.

While administration supporters at the
Capitol and in the various executive de-
partments are waiting for the President's
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Germany Suing for Peace; Vatican Gets Confirmation

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Feb. 11.—The Daily News has received the following from
R. Mackenzie, its correspondent at Rome:

"Besides Prince von Buelow, Prince Hohenlohe and Baron von Kraft
are now in Switzerland striving towards peace which the Kaiser is de-
termined to hasten, possibly in order to avert Italy's declaration of war
against Germany, which German papers now hint is imminent.

"The Kaiser's representatives in Switzerland are empowered to in-
duce the Bernese pacifist committee to assume the initiative in the proposal
for an armistice which would be a prelude to negotiations for peace. As-
surances have been received, it is said, that Germany is disposed to make
concessions if they are indispensable for a hastening of peace.

"Furthermore, Austria is on the verge of exhaustion.
"Confidential information has reached the Vatican confirming Ger-
many's efforts to seek peace."

COAT SAVES SUB VICTIM

Buoyant Garment Supports
Lord Montagu After
Persia Sinking.

LOSES CONSCIOUSNESS IN
WATER, BUT STILL FLOATS

Graphic Story of Passengers' Fate
After Torpedo Explodes Told
By Survivor.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Feb. 11.—Lord Montagu, of
Bosauale, upon his arrival at Southampton,
badly wounded from injuries re-
ceived when the Persia was sunk in the
Mediterranean by a torpedo, gives the
following graphic statement:

By LORD MONTAGU.
"I am really returning from the grave.
"The voyage of the Persia was very
successful until she was torpedoed, and
every one on board was very comfortable
and happy as they neared home. About
11:10 a. m. on Thursday, December 30, as
we were sitting down to lunch, there was
a terrific explosion just about the main
saloon. It blew out parts of the walls
of the dining saloon, and the odor of
acid in the torpedo at once told me what
had happened.

Ship Turns Over.
"The passengers, all of whom had been
previously assigned to certain lifeboats,
tried to reach their appointed stations.
When I got to mine, which was in life-
boat No. 6, the ship was heeling over so
badly that it was found impossible to
launch any of the boats on that side. I
climbed up with great difficulty to the
starboard side, trying to pull with me
my secretary, Miss Thornton, who hap-
pened to be near.

"Within three minutes after the tor-
pedo struck the ship was on her beam
ends, going down by the stern. I was
swept off my feet by a rush of water,
and in a few seconds found myself in
the ocean and under water. It seemed
that I would never come up. As the
great ship went down, I was sucked
along with it, striking my head and body
several times with great violence either
against part of the ship or wreckage. I
don't know which.

"I wore a Glover waistcoat, which has
more buoyancy than an ordinary life-
preserver. Thus, while I lost conscious-
ness from blows on the head, received
under water, my waistcoat promptly
brought me to the surface. When I
recovered my senses sufficiently to look
around, I saw the sea covered with
struggling human beings, very little
wreckage and no sign of the Persia.

Only Three Boats Left.
"Only three undamaged boats were left
afloat; these were only partly filled. I
swam about fifty yards toward a boat
floating upside down. Eventually I man-
aged to climb up and get astride of the
keel.

"Twenty-six persons wearing life pre-
servers of some kind eventually caught
hold of the capsized boat, but several of
these were too weary to hold on. A big
wave occasionally knocked us all off. One
of these righted the boat and nineteen of
us managed to scramble into it. She had
a hole in her bottom so that she barely
floated.

"We stayed in this boat two days and
two nights and were then picked up by
the steamer Nedg Chow, which brought
us to London."

WOMAN SMUGGLER TO JAIL.

New York Judge Departs from Custom
in Miller's Case.

New York, Feb. 11.—Judge Clayton,
in the United States District Court,
today departed from the custom pre-
vailing here of letting women
smugglers off with fines, by sentencing
Mrs. Emilie Swiggett, of San
Francisco, to ten days in jail.

The judge also imposed a fine of \$100.
The defendant, a young woman,
broke down when sentence was passed
upon her and sobbed aloud. She will
probably spend the ten days in the
tomb.

Mrs. Swiggett is a milliner in San
Francisco.

St. Cyr Will Stand.

White Plains, N. Y., Feb. 11.—Reopen-
ing of probate of will of Mrs. Caroline P.
St. Cyr was denied today by Surrogate
Sawyer and the testators. Jean Harold
Edward St. Cyr will remain the residuary
legatee and her son will receive only
\$50,000.

FREE LOVE IS CITED IN SUIT

Dr. H. B. Deady, "Psycho-
analyst," Accused of Steal-
ing Man's Wife.

ACCUSED BY DR. BUSCK,
WHO IS AFTER HIS SON

Columbia Professor Declares He Be-
lieves in Monogamy and Can't
See Why State Interferes.

Special to The Washington Herald.
New York, Feb. 11.—"I believe in mo-
nogamy, and am not against marriage.
But I cannot see where the state and
the church get their authority to in-
terfere with love."

This statement, made today by Dr.
Henderson B. Deady, "psycho-analyst,"
and pupil of Karl Jung, explains why Dr.
Gunn J. Busck, of Westfield, N. Y., is
trying to get possession of his 9-year-old
son, Richard. Richard lives in the
apartment in the Ponclana overlooking
the Columbia University campus, where
Dr. Deady resides. So also Dr. Busck
told the supreme court today, does Mrs.
Busck.

Relations Unusual.
The relations of Deady and the Buscks
are unusual. According to Dr. Busck's
affidavit, they would have been still
more unusual had he accepted Deady's
suggestions.

Deady is the husband of Dr. Busck's
sister, Amalie. Dr. Busck is a practicing
physician at Westfield, in Chautau-
que County, and is prosperous.
When he made the discovery that his
wife and Deady were in love, he told
the court. Deady said "he did not see
why I should raise any row about the
matter—that it was all right—that he
thought he, Charlotte H. Busck, the
child, Richard, and myself might just as
well all live together."

"He said it would be an 'epochal event'
for all parties to live together and there-
by show their freedom and superiority
to the senseless conventions of society,
and Charlotte H. Busck expressed sub-
stantially the same views."

Divorce Granted.
Dr. Busck's appetite for "epochal
events" being practically nil at the time,
he sued for and, in June, 1911, obtained
a divorce. Custody of his son, then 4
years old, was awarded to Mrs. Busck,
the father agreeing that he needed the
mother's care.

After the separation, Dr. Busck says,
Mrs. Busck and Deady traveled in Eu-
rope together, and lived together in vari-
ous places in New York and Connecticut.

Justice Cohan granted Dr. Busck an
order calling upon his former wife to
show cause next Wednesday why the pe-
tition should not be granted.

**CLAIMS LEPROSY CURE
HAS BEEN DISCOVERED**

Dr. Victor G. Heiser Declares Twenty-
five Lepers Have Been Purged of
Disease in Philippine Hospital.

New York, Feb. 11.—World-wide atten-
tion has been attracted to the assertion
by Dr. Victor G. Heiser, former director
of health in the Philippine Islands, that
a cure has at last been found for leprosy.
His report on the subject is in the cur-
rent number of the New York Medical
Review.

Twenty-five lepers have been discharged
as cured from the Philippine leper hospi-
tals. Two hundred more, according to
Dr. Heiser, are showing distinct signs of
improvement.

Five of the patients, discharged as
cured in 1913, have shown no signs of
leprosy since then.
Dr. Heiser has long been recognized as
an authority in the treatment of
leprosy. He built the leper hospital in
the Philippines, and was commended by
the government for his work in clean-
ing up the islands.

German Consul Ousted.

Torreon, Mexico, Feb. 11.—According to
information received here today, German
Consul Schommer, at Durango City, has
been ordered to leave the state because
of the excessive prices placed upon merchandise
in his store.

Yaqul Band Vanquished.

Douglas, Ariz., Feb. 11.—After two-
weeks' pursuit, Carranzista soldiers un-
der Col. Jesus Aguirre have broken up a
band of several hundred Yaqul Indians
that has been raiding ranches in Sonora.



ENEMY OPERATIONS

TAFT PLEADS FOR DEFENSE

Tells Geographic Society the
Country Should Prepare
Fully but Avoid War.

SAYS PEACE IS ESSENTIAL
UNDER DEMOCRATIC REGIME

Former President Declares Popular
Government Is Impossible When
War Hounds Are Loose.

A democracy should make every
preparation for national defense, but
should avoid war when it can do so
with honor and without national sacri-
fice, because the principles of de-
mocracy—a free press and unre-
stricted public opinion—are not the
quickest means through which to over-
power an enemy.

This is the substance of a state-
ment made by former President William
H. Taft in an address before the Na-
tional Geographic Society at New Ma-
sonic Temple last night. The applause
which greeted the former President
lasted several minutes.

"England's course in this war," said
Mr. Taft, "has confirmed the view that
if war is to be a normal condition of
national and international life, popu-
lar government with a free press and
unrestricted public opinion is not the
best form adapted to act quickly to
overwhelm an enemy. Its inherent
disadvantage in the outset of a war
is not only a reason why a democracy
should avoid war when it can do so
with honor and without national sacri-
fice, but it is also a reason why it
should in time of peace make every
preparation for national defense con-
sistent with individual liberty and
the control of the people."

Teutons Sink British Cruiser

Arabis Torpedoed on Dogger
Bank, According to Report
from Berlin.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Berlin (via London), Feb. 11.—Official
announcement was made tonight by
the admiralty that the British cruiser Arabis
had been sunk on the Dogger Bank in
the North Sea.

The announcement reads:
"German torpedo boats sunk the
British cruiser Arabis on Thursday night
on the Dogger Bank."
"We also torpedoed another British
cruiser."

"Our ships rescued the commander of
the Arabis with two officers and twenty-
one men. We suffered no damage or
losses."

London, Feb. 11.—Lloyd's Marine
Register gives the Arabis as an oil-
burning twin screw steel steamship of
2,273 gross tonnage, built in 1914, and
owned by the Flower Motorship Com-
pany, Limited, of London.

WAR CAUSES WEDDING.

American Relief Worker Weds Beau-
tiful Belgian Maiden.

Amsterdam, Feb. 11.—A war romance,
in which the leading roles were taken by
an American and a beautiful Belgian
maiden, has been revealed by the mar-
riage of George Calstairs, of Philadel-
phia, and Mlle. Helen Cunniffe, daughter
of the burgomaster of Bellecourt.

Mrs. Calstairs is a member of the
American relief committee for the Bel-
gians, and it was in the performance of
his duties that he met his future wife.
He will retain his position and Mrs.
Calstairs will aid him in the work of

SPIKED CLUBS IN TRENCHES

Troops Around Saloniki Get
Back to Primitive Mode
of Warfare.

BOMBING AS SCIENCE
PRACTICED BY TROOPS

Many New Missiles Make Appearance.
Germans Use Air Gun to Hurl
Immense Projectile.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Athens, Greece, Feb. 11.—At last the
warriors have got down to using clubs,
just ordinary clubs, for braining men.
The Austro-German soldiers are sup-
plied with bludgeons and on parts of
the British front the ally soldiers have
been furnished clubs covered with
spikes.

These British clubs look much like
the big stick American cartoonists
used to picture T. R. as using. The
clubs are for use by troops entering
trenches on the sly and slaying noise-
lessly so that men in other parts of
the same line will not know what is
going on.

One of the newest missiles in the
great war is a huge shell the Germans
threw at the Dardanelles. Only air
guns could throw the shell without ex-
ploding it, and these new air guns
must be 10 inches in bore and many
feet long. One of these big shells
which fell in the British line unex-
pectedly has been taken apart by ex-
perts. It was 16 inches in diameter
and 15 inches high, made of sheet steel
with wooden plug-disks at each end.
This big shell contained seventy-
six pieces of scrap iron and twenty-
five pounds of tri-nitro-toluol. The
missile weighs fifty-one pounds. The
firing of the big shell must have been
touchy work.

Imagine a fire cracker 10 inches
thick that would blow a hole in the
earth 6 feet deep and 10 feet in di-
ameter. Imagine yourself facing the duty
of lighting the fuse of this fifty-one
pound cracker and then, while the fuse
was sputtering, placing the cracker
in the mouth of a giant air gun and
firing the gun in time to get the
cracker out of your neighborhood be-
fore it went off.

PREFERS WAR TO WIFE.

New Yorker Deserts Family to En-
list in British Army.

New York, Feb. 11.—Rather than
contribute \$4 a week toward the sup-
port of his wife and three children,
James McDermott, formerly of West
Thirti-seventh street, has joined the
British army and gone to the fighting
front, Miss Rose McQuade, probation
officer, learned today.

The information came in a letter
from McDermott, who, at the date of
writing, December 12 of last year, was
in the Dardanelles.

Negroes Seek New Trials.

Providence, R. I., Feb. 11.—William H.
Lewis and John B. Edwards, counsel for
Henry Spellman and Cecil Brown, the
two negroes convicted of the murder of
Dr. Charles F. Mohr, filed petitions for
new trials today.

2,000 Track Walkers Strike.

Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 11.—Two thou-
sand track walkers and repair men on the
Jersey Central Railroad went on strike
because of excessive prices placed upon mer-
chandise in his store.

Swindler Goes to "Pen."

New York, Feb. 11.—Arthur L. David,
alias Don Collins, and also known as Sir
Robert Tourbillon, who pleaded guilty to
using the mails to defraud, today was
sentenced to two years in the Federal
prison at Atlanta.

WEDDING FEES \$9,000 A YEAR

Commissioner Wallstein Re-
ports Existence of "Mar-
riage Trust" in Brooklyn.

"CLERK" NOT EMPLOYED BY
CITY FIRST AID TO CUPID

113 Ceremonies Performed in Unique
Chapel in Period of Sixteen Days.
Mayor Mitchell Is Told.

Special to The Washington Herald.
New York, Feb. 11.—Brooklyn laugh-
ed when Manhattan aired her marriage
trust scandal a year ago. Now it is
Manhattan's turn. Charges that a genu-
ine, up-to-date marriage monopoly, hereto-
fore investigation proof, exists in Broo-
klyn Hall, Brooklyn, were made in a
letter today from Commissioner of Ac-
counts Wallstein to Mayor Mitchell.

Commissioner Wallstein's letter charges
that one Abraham Oppenheimer has been
installed fifteen or twenty years in room
10, Borough Hall, Brooklyn, known
locally as the "marriage chapel," and
that his income made through marriages
has been about \$9,000 a year. The room
is used by twenty-four Brooklyn alder-
men as a meeting place.

According to Commissioner Wallstein,
Oppenheimer, without compensation, has
been acting as clerk and messenger gen-
erally for the aldermen. He answers tel-
ephone calls, takes care of jury notices
and otherwise makes himself useful. In
return for his services, it is charged,
some of the aldermen "consent" to per-
form marriage ceremonies at his re-
quest.

During a period of sixteen days last
January there were 113 marriage cere-
monies performed by aldermen in Broo-
klyn's chapel, an average of seven a day.

Course in Love Is Inaugurated

Goucher Graduates Receive
Instruction in Art of Suc-
cessful Marriage.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Baltimore, Feb. 11.—When the class of
1916 is graduated from Goucher College
next June one-half of its number will
be authorities on love in all its ramifications,
including the gentle art of successful
marriage. For, by way of finishing the
college education of the Goucher stu-
dents, Dr. Lillian Welsh, lecturer in
hygiene, yesterday inaugurated a weekly
course of instruction on "Love and
Marriage."

About forty members of the senior
class flocked to Bennett Hall for the
opening lecture of the course at 4 o'clock
yesterday afternoon, and, the course
being optional, as many seniors, whether
for lack of enthusiasm over love and
marriage as because they considered them-
selves sufficiently well posted on the
subject stayed away.

Freshmen, sophomores and juniors
were not allowed to so much as poke
their noses through the doors of Bennett
Hall while the lecture was in progress.
Moreover, the seniors who have signi-
fied their intention of taking up the
study of love and marriage have refused
to divulge the nature of proceedings in
the class to the younger students.

French Vessel Asks Aid.

Rome, Feb. 11.—A wireless dispatch to
the Messageria from Syracuse states that
the steamship Porto Smyrna received a
"S O S" call today from a French ves-
sel which was being attacked by a Ger-
man submarine.

U. S. May Protest New German U-Boat War

The United States govern-
ment may seek a loophole
through which to avoid acquies-
cence in Germany's and Aus-
tria's intention to begin after
March 1 to attack all armed
enemy merchant vessels without
warning.

The State Department, it was
learned last night, is considering
the advisability of protesting
against the proposed campaign
of the Teutonic submarines.

A high official of the depart-
ment expressed the opinion that
it would be reckless to assume
that the United States would per-
mit such a campaign to be in-
augurated without protest.

EDISON AT 69 STILL ON JOB

Inventor Passes Birthday in
His Laboratory Hard
at Work.

WAR SECRETARYSHIP TOO
SLOW FOR HIM, HE SAYS

Believes Allies Will Win, but Expects
War to Last About Two
Years Longer.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Orange, Feb. 11.—Thomas Alva Edison
was 69 years old today. It was the first
day in many years that he arrived at
his laboratory late.

"You see, they dragged me over to
New York to a dinner last night and I
didn't get home until 2 o'clock this morn-
ing," he explained.

"The old man," as everybody in Orange
perpetually calls Mr. Edison, celebrated
the day by following his regular routine.
There was but one deviation. That was
when he consented to see newspaper men.

"What were your greatest accomplish-
ments during the year?" the noted in-
ventor was asked.
"The diamond disk and chemicals," he
quickly replied. He amplified this by
saying that he now has nine plants turn-
ing out carbolic acid and its by-products,
with prospects of a tenth in the near
future.

Mr. Edison would not comment on the
resignation of Secretary of War Garri-
son.

"How would you like to tackle the
job?" he was asked.
"Too slow for me," he answered.
"What about the army?"

"They need the same things the navy
does, principally machinery," he
replied. He refused to go into details and
would not discuss the navy.

Says Allies Will Win.
Referring to the European war, Mr.
Edison said "the allies will win, but the
war will last two years longer. Men,
money and the ability to get things
necessary to carry on the war will win
the day eventually."

"This country will not become in-
volved," continued the inventor.
Asked to give his rules for eating, Mr.
Edison said: "Cut your food down to
one-third or one-fourth of what you have
been eating. I eat three meals a day.
It's habit and nothing else. However, I
eat but a quarter of what the average
man does."

T. R. AND WIFE SAIL FOR THE WEST INDIES

Colonel Refuses to Comment on Gar-
rison Resignation and Refers
Question to His Book.

New York, Feb. 11.—Col. and Mrs.
Roosevelt left New York this afternoon
aboard the steamship Guiana for the
West Indies. They will return about the
middle of March. Mrs. Roosevelt thought
the colonel needed a rest, and he agreed
with her.

Asked to discuss the Garrison affair
and to comment generally on the Wilson
administration, the Colonel smiled good-
humoredly as scores of cameras clicked.
"I must refer you to my book, 'Fear
God and Take Your Own Part.' What I
wrote in that is true today and will be
true a year from now. It deals with all
matters to which you refer. As for the
Lusitania matter, all I care to say is this:
If a man slapped your wife's face eight
months ago, it is of no consequence what
you may do now."

Vatican to Cut Expenses.